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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of students getting higher education in the country is very less;

(b) if so, the percentage of Primary Students who are able to reach the higher educational institutions;

(c) whether the Government have recently decided to increase the cost being incurred on higher education; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) & (b) : The number of students getting higher education in the country is lower than in the developed countries. The estimated percentage of students who are able to reach first year of higher education, with reference to percentage of enrolment in class-I of school education, is around 10%.

(c) & (d) : The Government expenditure on higher education has been steadily increasing . The allocation during the 9th Plan period has shown an increase of 216% and about 245% on Plan and Non-Plan side respectively, as compared to the 8th Plan.